

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 5086-03
Bill No.: HCS for HB 1568
Subject: Children and Minors; Hospitals
Type: Original
Date: March 8, 2012

Bill Summary: Changes the laws regarding the Safe Place for Newborns Act by increasing the number of days that a parent can relinquish physical custody of a newborn without being prosecuted.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
This fiscal note contains 4 pages.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0

☐ Estimated Total Net Effect on All funds expected to exceed \$100,000 savings or (cost).

☐ Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund expected to exceed \$100,000 (cost).

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

§§ 210.567, 210.950 and 211.447

Officials from the **Office of State Courts Administrator, Department of Health and Senior Services, Department of Social Services (DSS) - Division of Research and Evaluation, DSS - Division of Legal Services** and **Department of Public Safety - Missouri State Highway Patrol** assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organizations.

Officials from the **DSS - Children's Division (CD)** state in section 210.567, this proposal limits information made available to the public pertaining to the licensing of a particular foster home and provides what specific information must be made available to the public by the Division in a summarized report. The CD does not anticipate a fiscal impact, but will require a revision of currently policy and procedure.

There is a possibility of an increased number of infants entering CD's custody under these provisions because the proposal increases the age requirement from up to 5 days to 45 days for parents to relinquish physical custody of a newborn without being prosecuted.

This proposal also allows either parent a period of time to reestablish parental rights and provides protection in that it prohibits officials and agency personnel from coercing the parent to reveal identifying information. The CD does not anticipate a fiscal impact as a result of this legislation.

Officials from the **Office of Attorney General (AGO)** did not respond to **Oversight's** request for a statement of fiscal impact. However, in response to HB 1327, which contains similar language for section 210.567, the AGO assumed any potential costs arising from the proposal could be absorbed with existing resources.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2013 (10 Mo.)	FY 2014	FY 2015
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
 <u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	 FY 2013 (10 Mo.)	 FY 2014	 FY 2015
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

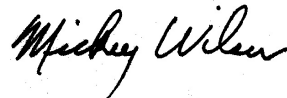
The proposed legislation appears to have no fiscal impact.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Office of Attorney General
Office of State Courts Administrator
Department of Health and Senior Services
Department of Social Services
Department of Public Safety -
Missouri State Highway Patrol

NOT RESPONDING: Office of Attorney General



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